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Sir:

As a means of complying with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 CFR § 1.53 and in keeping with the guidelines of 37 CFR 1.98, Applicants hereby submit information thought to be relevant to the examination of the above-identified application, Also submitted herewith is a completed form PTO-

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It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(d).

United States Patent 6,862,685, Pearson, et al., relates to an optical disk wherein data such as a disk ID number, etc. is converted into a barcode and recorded in a pit area on the disk in overwriting fashion. A single optical pickup may be used to read both the bit data and barcode data. A special barcode forming method may be used to form the barcodes, etc. for such an optical disk.

Respectfully submitted,

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